

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, September 14, 2021**

Council Members M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President; Michael Blue, Vice-President, Jerry Donald, Kai Hagen, Jessica Fitzwater, Phil Dacey and Steve McKay were present for the meeting.

Also present were Catherine Keller, Assistant County Attorney; Ragen Cherney, County Council Chief of Staff; Sarah Ambrosio, Recording Secretary; and Nancy Luna, Executive Assistant, County Council.

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. virtually via video conference.

Opening Statement from Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer provided an opening statement at the start of the meeting. Included in that statement was a welcoming to the Workshop for Tuesday, September 14, 2021 and information on how to watch and participate in the meeting. President Keegan-Ayer called roll and a quorum was established for the meeting.

The meeting began with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Discussion and Finalization of Council Related Initiatives for 2022 Legislative Package

The Council Members held a Discussion of Council Related Legislative Initiatives for 2022 Legislative Package and items that would move forward to the Public Hearing.

Board of Education Vacancy Special Election (McKay)

Position Statement – Requirements for Advertisement of Constant Yield Tax Rate (Donald)

Buildings Used for Agritourism (Fitzwater)

Position Statement – Climate Solutions Now Act (Fitzwater)

Proposed Bill – Electric Vehicles

Council Member Kai Hagen provided information on the Proposed Bill - Electric Vehicles.

Proposed Bill - Establishing an Office of Equity and Inclusion and Equity and Inclusion Commission

Michael Hughes, Chief Equity and Inclusion Officer and Council Member Kai Hagen (on behalf of Administration) provided information on the Proposed Bill – Establishing an Office of Equity and Inclusion and Equity and Inclusion Commission.

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Public Comment was heard from:

- Mary Lee

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President
County Council